

# DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

## ADOPTED TEXT

TITLE 13, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, DIVISION 2  
AMEND CHAPTER 6.5, ARTICLE 8, SECTION 1270

### **MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GENERAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS - SEATS (CHP-R-2001-09) (OAL FILE NO. Z-02-0125-03)**

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#### **ARTICLE 8. GENERAL EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS - SEATS**

##### **§1270. Seats.**

The following requirements govern seats on buses and all farm labor vehicles.

(a) **Bus Driver's Seat.** The driver's seat shall be positioned so that the driver may assume a natural position while driving and have a clear view of the road and mirrors and sufficient leg room to operate the brake, clutch, and accelerator pedals and all other controls without cramping or interference. ~~On a Type 1 bus, the~~ The driver's seat shall be readily adjustable backward and forward and may be adjustable up and down or may incorporate up and down motion with forward and backward adjustability; ~~on a Type 2 bus, at least backward and forward.~~ On school buses and school pupil activity buses, the driver's seat shall also be equipped with a locking device to prevent accidental separation of the adjustable seat components. In addition, a safety belt meeting the provisions of FMVSS 209 shall be provided for the driver in school buses and school pupil activity buses.

(b) **Bus Passenger Seats.** Jump seats and seats in aisles shall not be permitted in any bus. Seats in school pupil activity buses shall be adequately secured and shall provide a seating space at least 13 inches wide for each passenger.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 31401, 34501, and 34501.5, Vehicle Code. Reference: Sections 31400, 31401, 34501, and 34501.5, Vehicle Code.